



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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TO: EACH SUPERVISOR

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CONTRACT AIRCRAFT – SUPERSCOOPER EXTENSION

This memorandum is to inform your Honorable Board of the Fire District's (District) intent to extend the lease of the initial two CL-415 SuperScoopers from the Government of Quebec to December 15, 2015. Originally, the initial two SuperScoopers, Quebec 1 and Quebec 2, were scheduled to depart on November 13, 2015. The second two SuperScoopers, Quebec 3 and Quebec 4, will meet their 60-day initial commitment on December 6, 2015. The Erickson Air Crane will meet its 120-day initial commitment on December 9, 2015.

Typically, the contract aircraft are released after significant rainfall is received and a subsequent increase in live fuel moisture is recorded. Despite rains in various areas throughout the County over the last several months, the live fuel conditions have remained at critical levels.

The District will continue to evaluate weather patterns, precipitation and the impact on live fuel moistures. We will provide an update to your Board as soon as the weather conditions support release of any of these resources.

In the event environmental conditions necessitate extending the contract for these aircraft beyond December 15, 2015, the District's current \$5.5 million spending authority authorized by the Board will need to be increased. The District is currently in the process of constructing a Board letter to address this issue and will be proactively seeking an appropriate increase in this authority. This letter will be routed to the Board prior to the end of November.

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